

have subjected to a restraining order:

The mayor of Chicago, the city of Chicago, Illinois Telephone & Telegraph Co., Chicago Tunnel Co., American Telephone & Telegraph Co., Chicago Telephone Co.

Bernard E. Sunny, president Chicago Telephone Co., gave a significant statement to The Day Book today. He was asked:

"When will the Chicago Telephone Co. take any step in a transaction of sale involving the automatic phone property?"

Sunny answered:

"We are not in it directly as yet. The contract provides that the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. shall complete its agreement with the automatic company before we can take any action. The whole matter will have to go before the state utilities commission for review. If the state utilities commission approves of the transaction, then it must go to the attorney general of the United States. **THE BELL PEOPLE WILL NOT HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE PROPOSITION UNTIL THESE GOVERNMENTAL BODIES HAVE APPROVED IT.**"

Sunny finished this remarkable statement with another equally remarkable, as follows:

"We are not going against public sentiment. It was clearly set out in the contract that public sentiment must not be against the transaction. And we are the judges of that."

Dan Schuyler, who for nearly three years has spoken the automatic phone company side of the case, said:

"There will be no transaction of sale until the contract has been reviewed by the state utilities commission and the federal attorney general."

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84 more cases against former striking garment workers came up before Judge Olson today. All dismissed for failure of police to present sufficient evidence to warrant trials.

FRENCH REPULSE ATTACK OF GERMANS NEAR VERDUN

Paris.—After 36 hours of continuous bombardment, Germans last night launched heavy attacks against Haudremont forest, northeast of Verdun and in Le Pretre forest. Broken up by French artillery.

In the Woevre region, artillery duel continues.

London.—Shortage of officers, due to recent heavy losses at Verdun, is causing German general staff much worry.

London.—Heavy German reinforcements arriving at Verdun front while German artillery continues terrific bombardment of French field positions.

Delayed dispatches from Swiss cities reported closing of Swiss-German frontier to insure secrecy for troop movements. French aviators in air invasions far back of Teuton lines observed pouring of fresh enemy legions.

Reported Field Marshall Mackensen is now at Verdun and that Von Hindenburg had been summoned to same front by kaiser.

Infantry assault that almost certainly will follow 36-hour bombardment of French Verdun front is expected any hour.

German artillery fire developing greatest intensity on west bank of Meuse around Goose Hill and Dead Man Hill.

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TO GIVE VERDICT ON ORPET INDICTMENT MONDAY

After counsel for Wm. Orpet, Wisconsin university student charged with murdering Marian Lambert, Lake Forest high school girl, had argued today that Judge Edwards quash the indictment against Orpet, the judge announced he would give a decision Monday.

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17 Chicago boys have run away from home in two days. Believed they headed for the Rio Grande, looking for a scrap.